

# KINDERLINKS

## Special Events@Home

**Additional Programming for Preschoolers & Their Parents | January 2022**

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Kinder Links programs provide young families—with children birth to age five—with the opportunity to play, learn, and connect with each other. These **FREE** parent-child programs feature fun, educational ways to explore literacy, numeracy, physical health and well-being, and creativity through art experiences, rhymes, stories, activities, and games. Kinder Links programs are an excellent way for young children to develop a lifelong passion for learning, develop their skills and self-confidence, and help prepare them for the adventure of school!

### VIRTUAL 1-2-3, Count with Me

*Best enjoyed by children ages 2 to 5*

Count on having a great time singing, rhyming, and hearing special stories with an early numeracy focus. This special event features fun ways for children to incorporate counting into their lives and explore numbers through educational games and activities. Registered families will be given the opportunity to pick up a package featuring arts and crafts, counting activities with stickers, dice and playing cards, plus a few extra surprises! Details on the drive-thru pickup dates will be provided upon registration.

Thursday, Jan. 20  
1–1:45 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 25  
1–1:45 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 31  
6–6:45 p.m.

### Be My Virtual Valentine

*Best enjoyed by children 18 months to 5*

Feel the LOVE at the Kinder Links virtual Valentine's Day party! Together we will enjoy sweet stories about hearts and hugs, Cupid, and the adventures of your favourite storybook characters. It will be fun to learn a few special songs and counting rhymes and play energetic games to celebrate Valentine's Day. Young participants will also get the chance to share their ideas for showing their friends and family how much they care for them. Registered families will be given the opportunity to pick up a

special valentine snack, craft, and activity package to enjoy after the event. Details on the drive-thru pickup dates will be provided upon registration.

Friday, Feb. 11  
6–6:45 p.m.



### VIRTUAL Brunch Bunch Storytime

*Best enjoyed by children 18 months to 5*

Kinder Links friends, let's meet virtually for a weekend brunch celebration! Imagine the fun we'll have enjoying books, favourite songs, and a bingo game featuring a yummy breakfast theme. Registered families will be given the opportunity to pick up a package featuring arts and crafts, breakfast snacks, and a few extra surprises! Details on the drive-thru pickup dates will be provided upon registration.

Saturday, Jan. 22  
10–10:45 a.m.

Sunday, Jan. 23  
10–10:45 a.m.

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### VIRTUAL On Top of Spaghetti Storytime

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Be our guest for a literacy-inspired feast as we celebrate "all things spaghetti." Together we will enjoy listening to stories, learning new songs, and playing movement games, all with a delicious pasta theme. Registered families will be given the opportunity to pick up a package featuring arts and crafts, noodles and spaghetti sauce, and a few extra surprises! Details on the drive-thru pickup dates will be provided upon registration.

Monday, Jan. 24  
6–6:45 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 27  
6–6:45 p.m.

### VIRTUAL Stay & Play

*Best enjoyed by children 18 months to 5*

Introducing an exciting new way to enjoy virtual Kinder Links parent-child programming. Offered as a **daily** online drop in, participants can attend as their schedule allows. Each virtual session features different stories, songs, and numeracy activities guaranteed to shake out those wiggles and share some giggles. At the end of class, Kinder Links facilitators will share ideas for learning at home.

Monday–Friday (daily)  
Jan. 17–28  
11:30–12 p.m.

### OUTDOORS Moving & Grooving @ the Park

*Best enjoyed by children 18 months to 5*

Get active and outdoors this winter with Kinder Links! Snowy fun awaits at Bunn's Creek Park where we will sing, dance, play active games, and enjoy a short walk as a group through the park's lovely outdoor trails. At the end of class, participants will receive a craft to complete at home. As this is an entirely outdoor experience, please ensure your family addresses appropriately for the weather. Sessions will be cancelled if the temperature is colder than -20 C.

Bunn's Creek Centennial Park  
365 McIvor Ave.

Mondays Jan. 17, 24 & 31  
1–1:45 p.m.

Sundays Jan. 23 & 30  
11–11:45 a.m.

### Virtual Twinkle, Twinkle, Dancing Toes

Tap your toes and move those feet as trained dance instructor Miss Laura teaches us some groovy moves! Enjoy lively music and rhythms as you express yourself creatively. As we dance and move together, we'll explore shapes, colours, numbers, and animals. Wear comfy clothes for this free virtual special event!

Monday, Jan. 17  
6–6:30 p.m.

### Kinder Links Pen Pals

Introduce your child—ages three to five—to the joys of reading and writing through RETSD's Kinder Links Pen Pals program. For every letter sent to the Kinder Links office, we'll reply with a special package filled with fun activities for your child. This is an excellent way to get your child excited about literacy while having fun practising their printing, drawing, and numeracy skills.

Submissions can be mailed to:

Kelly Martino  
Kinder Links Office  
Joseph Teres School  
131 Sanford Fleming Rd.  
Winnipeg, MB R2C 5B8



### Kinder Links VIRTUAL Birthday Greetings

Celebrate your child's birthday with a special greeting from the Kinder Links team! In this 15-minute VIRTUAL session, a Kinder Links facilitator will sing the happy birthday song to your child, share a book, and play an educational game to help celebrate their big day. Appointments are available afternoons and early evenings. Please note: VIRTUAL Birthday Greetings appointments are available for children six years and under, as availability permits, and must be booked in advance.

Registration for Kinder Links programming begins immediately by email at [kinderlinks@retsd.mb.ca](mailto:kinderlinks@retsd.mb.ca) or leave a message at 204.669.4043.

When registering, please provide the following information:

- Parent/caregiver name
- Names and ages of all children to attend the program
- Home address
- Home/cellphone number
- Email address where you wish to be contacted/sent link to VIRTUAL programming
- Program(s) you wish to register for (name of program, date, location, and time)